Call to Order
- The meeting was called to order at 12:07 pm and took place by videoconference.

Agenda
- The agenda was adopted (Saad, Mary).

Minutes
- The minutes of June 30 were sent to a later email vote.

Get Thrifty
- Cole:
  - Looking at solutions for Get Thrifty.
  - Trying to accommodate the work they want to do (expanding their space) so they don’t have to wait for the Auditorium project.
- Michael Kingsmill presented details on the two projects.
- It was agreed that Cole and Michael would get in touch with Get Thrifty to discuss next steps.

Masks
- Cole:
  - UBC wants us to change our policy to say masks are recommended instead of required.
The AMS Health & Safety Committee reports that it’s hard to get people to comply with the mask requirement, given the current situation (the relaxing of restrictions by the government). Policy I-7A would not be enforced.

- **Saad:**
  - One of four people in the Nest are not wearing masks.
  - It’s increasingly hard to enforce a mask requirement.
  - It’s important to be on the same page as the University.
  - We have to recognize that students have different comfort levels.

- **Cole:**
  - Should we have a mask requirement that’s not enforced?
  - Or should we shift to masks being recommended, something we don’t have to enforce?

- **Eshana:**
  - Last year we made the call to mandate masks before the PHO did.
  - Some students are still worried that we’re moving too fast.
  - There is value to a mask mandate over the summer.

- **Cole:**
  - The problem is enforcement.

- **Saad:**
  - We can’t ask for proof of vaccination, and there’s low staff capacity for enforcement.

- **Eshana:**
  - Why can’t we tell people to wear a mask?

- **Cole:**
  - That’s our current rule.
  - We just don’t have the people to enforce it.
  - It’s not fair to have people go around the Nest and ask people to wear masks.
  - I’m more than happy to keep the mask mandate for the summer, but enforcement is the issue.
  - More and more people coming from other buildings will just think this is UBC: no masks.
  - Clubs are confused. Other buildings don’t require a mask. The Nest does.

- **Saad:**
  - In the past it was the law.
  - Now we no longer have the authority to enforce.

- **Mitchell:**
  - Could keep the mandate, just not do more to enforce it.
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- Cole:
  - What’s the point of having a mask requirement if we don’t enforce it?
- Eshana:
  - Still some enforcement going on.
- Mitchell:
  - It doesn’t have to be active.
  - Could just be posters and community-based.
- Eshana:
  - Can we fix the staffing issue?
- Saad:
  - There’s already a posting for an assistant building manager.
- Eshana:
  - Is there any volunteer interest?
- Cole:
  - It would take 2-3 weeks to arrange that.
  - And there will be less mask-wearing now that more people are vaccinated.
- Mitchell:
  - Let it be a slow change, gradual.
- Cole:
  - Passive enforcement is where we’ve been anyway.
- Sheldon:
  - Council could repeal the policy at the July 21 Council meeting.
- Saad:
  - Get Council feedback on it.
- Cole:
  - Already spoke about it when we laid out the Restart Plan.
- Eshana:
  - Or just keep it through the summer.
- Cole:
  - I think we’ll just keep things the way they are.

Executive Updates

- **Saad’s update:**
  - Sheldon, Lauren, and I met with Regent College, and I will be drafting an MoU on securing student lists on a regular basis, like the MoU with UBC.
    - Want to make sure Regent students get the information they need.
    - Once we do have a draft, we’ll probably do a legal review.

- **Mitchell’s update:**
  - Received the two new vehicles for Safewalk.
    - Very exciting.
Outfitting them with AMS branding.

- **Lorris’s update:**
  - Have done three initial interviews for Policy Advisor. Two more to go.

- **Eshana’s update:**
  - Mandating vaccines: shifting to go to extra measures in general.
  - Already more than 3,900 responses to the Return to Campus survey.
  - Will probably present something to Council.

- **Mary’s update:**
  - Budget.
  - U-Pass subsidy.
  - Fee subsidies.
  - Opt-out/opt-in forms.
  - Troubleshooting club and Constituency financial issues.

**Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned at 1:58 pm.